Dear Mr. Powell - Concerning the Sinclair Broadcasting Corp's demand that its affiliates pre-empt their regular programming to show a derogatory right wing movie in order to influence the Presidential election: You have an opportunity to do the right thing which you have not always done. You can stand tall at last and say "this is not legal and I'm not going to allow it!" Yes, Michael Moore's movie criticized President Bush but it was shown through theaters where people paid to see it. It did not come into anyone's home free which would constitute an enormous political contribution. You have a chance to stand tall and say "NO!" to the right wing of the Republican party. You have a chance to make yourself, the black community, and the entire country proud of you which has not happened very often in your 4 years as chairman of the FCC. Life is not long enough to consistently do the wrong thing, betraying the confidence of the entire country, all in order to stay in the good graces of a particular political party. Standing up to power in order to do what you know is right is the height of maturity and compassion and I hope you will be able to be a real man about this Sinclair episode.

Sincerely, Jan Painter